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Simile
Test Paper 1

Instructions:

1. The time allowed is 10 minutes for 17 questions.
2. Questions 1 to 15 are of 1 mark each
3. Questions 16 and 17 are of 2.5 marks each
4. Answers should be clearly marked in pencil on the question paper itself.
5. No separate answer sheet is provided.
6. No marks are lost for an incorrect answer.
7. If you have marked the wrong answer, erase it and mark the new one, making sure that your final answer is clear.

Symbols used:



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Stop working and await instructions.

Answer each question by selecting one of the options from A-E.

1 **Which sentence contains a simile?**

A. The boss was a ferocious lion.
B. The leaves danced in the wind.
C. Sally slept soundly.
D. The choir's voices flooded the room.
E. Marie was as timid as a rabbit.

2 **Complete the simile: The ship sank like a _____ .**

A. lion
B. stone
C. inflatable
D. wreck
E. stick

3 **What two things are being compared in the following simile? Lucy's long black hair, which shone in the sun, was as soft as silk.**

A. Lucy and the sun.
B. Lucy's hair and the sun.
C. Lucy and her hair.
D. Lucy's hair and silk.
E. The sun and silk.

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4 **Which sentence does not contain a simile?**

A. Stars shone brightly, trying to catch our attention.
B. She is as tough as nails.
C. Snow covered the field like a blanket.
D. Sam worked like a busy bee.
E. The event ran like clockwork.

5 **Complete the simile: The crowd stood as still as _____ .**

A. birds
B. clouds
C. rainfall
D. wind
E. statues

6 **What two things are being compared in the following simile? As the night drew closer, the stars gathered like excited school children at a sweet shop.**

A. The night and a sweetshop.
B. The night and the stars.
C. The stars and school children.
D. The night and school children.
E. Nothing is being compared in this sentence.

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7 **Complete the simile: The paparazzi gathered like _____ .**

A. windows
B. the sea
C. slugs
D. vultures
E. cheerleaders

8 **What two things are being compared in the following simile? Waves crashed against the side of the boat like a car colliding into a wall.**

A. The waves and a wall.
B. The waves and a car.
C. The side of the boat and a wall.
D. The wall and the car.
E. The waves and the boat.

9 **Which sentence contains a simile?**

A. She was a shining beacon of light in the darkness.
B. The exam was a nightmare.
C. My bed was a fluffy cloud.
D. He was as distant as a remote island.
E. My anger was a monster trying to control me.

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10 **Which word/phrase can be added to the sentence to make it a simile? Life is _____ a rollercoaster.**

A. beside
B. sometimes
C. rarely
D. never
E. like

11 **Which word completes the simile? Peter's face turned as white as a _____ at the sight.**

A. meadow
B. ghost
C. canary
D. sky
E. tomato

12 **What two things are being compared in this simile? Across the moor, purple heather fluttered like butterflies amongst the weeds.**

A. The moor and the weeds.
B. The heather and butterflies.
C. The butterflies and the moor.
D. The weeds and the butterflies.
E. The moor and the heather.

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13 **Which sentence does not contain a simile?**

A. Envy consumed her, filling her heart with rage.
B. Wesley sat as sorrowfully as a yew tree.
C. Our new puppy is as bright as a button.
D. Eddie was as skinny as a rake.
E. The road was as straight as an arrow.

14 **Which word completes the simile? The new boy was as quiet as a _____ .**

A. nightclub
B. zoo
C. concert
D. storm
E. mouse

15 **Which word completes the simile? The judge said the defendant was as guilty as _____ .**

A. heaven
B. fish
C. sin
D. hope
E. himself

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CHALLENGING QUESTIONS

1 **Match the words to complete the similes.**

	Column 1		Column 2
i.	As clear as…	**A.**	picture
ii.	As pretty as a…	**B.**	lightning
iii.	As sharp as a…	**C.**	snake
iv.	As sly as a…	**D.**	day
v.	As quick as…	**E.**	razor

2 **Fill in the blanks with the correct word to complete the similes.**

The man walked down the street as slowly as a **(i)** _____ . It was early in the morning, and he could hear the birds singing like a **(ii)** _____ . In the distance, the sun was beginning to rise, filling the sky with warm, orange flecks of light. The amber rays were like tiny **(iii)** _____ keeping him warm. The street was as silent as a **(iv)** _____ , empty of cars and people. He breathed in and savoured the moment like a prisoner on his last day of **(v)** _____ .

A. embers
B. graveyard
C. snail
D. freedom
E. choir

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